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Dear Allen:

It is gratifying to hear that another successful exercise between the CIA and the representatives of our various military commands has been achieved. Forty officers have returned to their posts throughout the United States and overseas stations with some very useful information on the Agency's operation and the ways and means of working together with your personnel in meeting common objectives. Project USEFUL has been well named, in my estimation.

In my opinion, the time and effort spent by you and your staff on this exercise has been well worthwhile and I believe that CIA and the Defense agencies will both see a return on this investment during the coming year and thereafter. A review of the participants' opinion indicates to me that the course should continue to be held annually, if practical.

General Young has told me that everyone was particularly pleased with your frank discussion at the end of the course. He said the schedule was expertly managed [REDACTED] and that all of the personnel who made presentations were noticeably knowledgeable and enthusiastic about their subjects. Our own officers expressed their satisfaction with the endeavor and to me that is "the proof of the pudding".

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So let me convey the thanks of the Joint Chiefs of Staff and the various military commands to you and to the other interested members of the Agency for your very constructive endeavor.

Sincerely,

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